

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Masashi Sugiyama, et al.

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For: CATALYST AND METHOD FOR CLARIFYING EXHAUST GAS

April 19, 2006

AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL

Mail Stop AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

A response to the Final Office Action dated January 18, 2006 was due April 18, 2006. A Petition for Extension of Time for one month and the requisite fee are submitted herewith to extend the time for response to May 18, 2006. Therefore, please accept this Amendment as timely filed.

In response to the Final Official Action dated January 18, 2006, please amend this application as follows: